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John S. Pruden, Director
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Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Pruden:

I am the wife of Harold Weisberg to whom your letter of December 17, 1976, is addressed.

Included among the documents you furnish is an original letter of August 19, 1976, addressed to Mr. Weisberg by Victor H. Dikeos, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Security, which was never forwarded to him. That letter specifies the documents which Mr. Dikeos' office is willing to release in full, those from which deletions are to be made, and one which is to be withheld in full because it relates to me.

This I resent. I hereby ask for the release of that document, #23, in full and without any deletions, under FOIA/PA, as well as for any and all other references to me.

In going over the documents which you have furnished, I am outraged at the number and extent of the deletions. It is certainly not within either the spirit or the letter of the Constitution that unnamed and secret sources should be allowed to make statements of any character whatsoever which are to be incorporated into an official file on any citizen of the United States and that the origin of such statements should be concealed from the subject. Particularly am I outraged that any agency of government, which my taxes help support, should not only condone but should aid and abet such a practice. This is biting the hand that feeds you.

If I as an individual have anything to say about anyone, I do not need assurance that my identity will not be revealed to that person; rather would I face him and state my knowledge. Opinions may not be based on fact; they are often based on prejudice. Government files on any citizen, if necessary at all, should be confined solely to fact, not hearsay, not opinion, and definitely not on an examination of his trash.

Sincerely,

Lillian Stone Weisberg